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The Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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